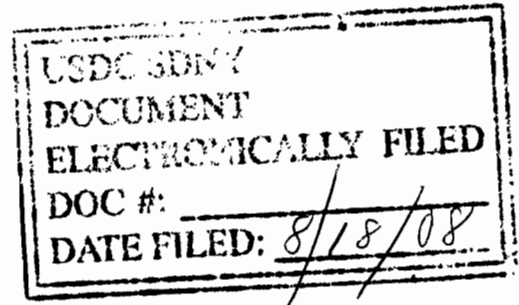




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Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007



Re: Leonardo Blair v. City of New York, et al., 08 Civ. 4303 (SAS)

Your Honor:

I am an Assistant Corporation Counsel in the Special Federal Litigation Division of the New York City Law Department assigned to the defense of the above-referenced matter on behalf of defendants City of New York and New York City Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly. As the Court may remember, the parties in this action reached a settlement, in principle. By Order dated June 25, 2008 this Court ordered that this action be discontinued with prejudice, but permitted counsel for plaintiff to request restoration of the action on or before July 25, 2008. Then, by Order, dated July 21, 2008 this Court granted defendants' request that the period for the action to be restored be extended one week, until August 1, 2008. Thereafter, by Order, dated July 31, 2008 this Court granted defendants' request that the period for the action to be restored be extended another week, until August 8, 2008. Finally, by Order dated August 8, 2008 this court extended the time in which to restore the case to the calendar until August 15, 2008. Unfortunately, the parties continue to finalize the terms of their settlement agreement. The parties are extremely close to finalizing the terms of their agreement and have made significant progress since last week; therefore, defendants respectfully request that the restoration period be extended one additional week until August 22, 2008. Plaintiff consents to this request.

I thank the Court for its time and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Request granted. Either party may restore the case to the calendar by August 22, 2008. So ordered.*

*USDC 8/15/08*